

Weekday Davening Times

Shacharis:	Sunday:	8:00 am
	Monday and Thursday:	6:40 am
	Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday:	6:50 am
Shacharis: Sunday: Monday and Thursday: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: Mincha/Maariv: Sunday through Thursday:		7:00 pm

Weekday Shiurim

Mussar:	15 min before Shacharis	
Mishna Brura:	Monday and Wednesday after Maariv	
Hilchos Tzedaka:	Monday 8:30 pm	
Nefesh HaChaim:	Thursday 10:15 pm	
Check with Dr Daniel Eisenberg to confirm.		

Pesach-Prep Tip #2 from Rabbi Steinberg

Check pockets early. Some people dedicate a lot of time and energy to cleaning areas where there is no chometz or none that is discernible, but leave checking pockets for the last moment. That bag of pretzels in last year's coat is much more of a chometz issue than the dust behind the picture frame on the top bookshelf.

Pre-Pesach Tzedakah

In keeping with the Jewish custom dating back to Talmudic times, before Pesach we give money to the poor to help them with the costs of this Yom Tov. In addition to the many other worthy Maos Chittim funds, [please note: priority should be given to those collecting for the local needy], checks can be made to YIML Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and given to Rabbi Steinberg (include memo "Maos Chittim" or "Pesach collection"). Please don't delay. Thank you!

Chevra Mishnayos: Now learning Seder Nashim. See shul bulletin board to sign up or email eisenber@pol.net and include your name and which masechta (or chapters thereof) you intend to learn.

Women's Tehillim Group: Mondays 10:45 am at 8 Concord Circle followed by the Rabbi's Chovos Halevavos shiur.

Thought of the Week

The opening pasuk of Sefer Vayikra says: "He called to Moshe and Hashem spoke to him from the Tent of Meeting Saying" [Vayikra 1:1]. The Medrash says that Moshe had ten different names (including Yered, Avigdor, Yekusiel, Chaver, Tuvya, and others). The Medrash quotes Hashem as saying, despite the fact that Moshe had many names, He would only address him by the name given to him by Basya, daughter of Pharaoh, as it is written "She called his name Moshe, and she said 'for I drew him from the water." [Shmos 1:10]

The Shemen HaTov asks why the Medrash makes this observation now. This is not the first place in the Torah that G-d addresses Moshe. At their first encounter by the Burning Bush, Hashem already used the name: "...and G-d called out to him from amid the bush and said, 'Moshe, Moshe' and he replied 'Here I am.'" [Shmos 3:4]

The Shemen HaTov answers his question by quoting a Seforno. The Seforno points out that technically, Moshe Rabbeinu's name should not have been Moshe. Grammatically speaking, according to what Pharaoh's daughter was trying to commemorate, his name should have been Mashuee [the one who was drawn out]. The meaning of the word Moshe (if we are to interpret it based on its verb origins) is the one who draws OTHERS out!

The Shemen HaTov elaborates: At this point, Moshe might have thought that he already fulfilled his life's mission. He took the Jews out of Egypt. He brought them across the Red Sea. He endured the Sin of the Golden Calf, saving them from G-d's wrath at that time. He completed the erection of the Mishkan. He might have argued, "I have done enough!" One would think that at the beginning of Parshas Vayikra, Moshe Rabbeinu could already rest on his laurels and take a breather.

That is why it is precisely at this point that the Medrash comments: "No. The career of a 'Moshe' never ends." If a person is a "Mashuee" [one saved miraculously from destruction], he must transform himself into a "Moshe" and he must indeed remain a "Moshe" for the rest of his life.

Adapted from "The Life of a "Moshe" Never Ends" 'by Rabbi Frand. http://www.torah.org/learning/ravfrand/5767/vayikra.html

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